

# THE PRE-HEALTH PROGRAM AT DEPAUL





# IS HEALTH CARE IN YOUR FUTURE?

There's an increasing shortage of all types of health care professionals—physicians, pharmacists, physical therapists, nurses, podiatric physicians and more, says the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Your career plans may include helping to meet that need—but first you need to make sure your undergraduate education is preparing you for highly selective graduate-level programs.

The College of Science and Health (CSH) offers a pre-health program available to any current DePaul student—regardless of major—who is interested in applying to graduate or professional health care programs, such as:

- Allopathic Medicine
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Physician Assistant
- Chiropractic Medicine
- Pathologists' Assistant
- Podiatric Medicine
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Veterinary Medicine
- Optometry

## You're on the right track.

The path to a graduate or professional degree in health care can seem daunting—you need an understanding of graduate admission requirements while working toward your bachelor's degree in order to position yourself as a strong candidate. It's a lot to consider and registering for the pre-health program will help you stay on track.

The pre-health program will provide you with:

- Advising from a pre-health advisor throughout your time as a student at DePaul University.
- Opportunities to learn more about undergraduate research initiatives and funding opportunities facilitated through the CSH Office of Advising and Student Services.
- Education and career planning resources to help you make sure that the career you envision is the right one for you.
- Invitations to pre-health events where you will network with other pre-health students and learn how to be a competitive graduate/professional school applicant.
- Access to the Pre-Health Advising Committee (PAC) during your junior or senior year if you meet the eligibility requirements.

These résumé-building opportunities will help you stand out from the applicant pool.

### Pre-Health Advising Committee (PAC)

After you have registered as a pre-health program student, earned at least a C- grade in each general biology and general chemistry course, including labs, earned at least 32 credit hours at DePaul University, achieved at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA, and are planning on applying to professional school in the spring/summer of the current year, you are eligible for services from the PAC. PAC services include:

- A dedicated faculty mentor who will assist you through the steps of applying to a professional school.
- Access to events specifically geared toward applying to professional programs.
- The opportunity to receive a pre-health advising committee letter of recommendation to professional schools of interest.

For more information on PAC, visit [go.depaul.edu/PAC](http://go.depaul.edu/PAC).

## Get a jump on your professional education.

At DePaul, most pre-health students pursue an undergraduate program within a four-year period.

While pursuing your undergraduate degree, you can start preparing for professional school by:

- Registering for the pre-health program
- Checking the pre-health program website for information about professional schools, timelines and checklists
- Meeting quarterly with the pre-health advisor to make sure you are meeting the requirements for your professional health program
- Exploring a variety of health careers through our lunch and learn series
- Getting involved on and off campus through volunteer work, shadowing and research

*Pre-health is not considered a major, minor or concentration, therefore any student in any major is able to register for the pre-health program and start taking advantage of its benefits.*

## Register.

Any student can register for the pre-health program and start taking advantage of the benefits. Register at [go.depaul.edu/prehealthadvising](http://go.depaul.edu/prehealthadvising).

### Find out more about pre-health at DePaul.

If you're interested in pursuing the pre-health program at DePaul, contact us to find out more.

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# QUESTIONS?



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